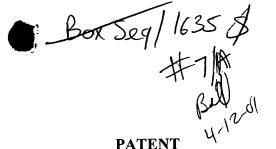
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2000, reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application are requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments.

In The Specification:

Please amend the specification, as follows.

Please cancel pages 21-29 (the Sequence Listing) and enter the substitute Sequence Listing which has been submitted as an attached document with this Amendment. Applicant submits that the amendments, made in accordance with 37 CFR 1.825(a) and (b), included in the substitute sheets and substitute computer readable form of the Sequence Listing are supported in the application, as filed, at pages 5, 8, 21-29 and Figure 7. Thus, no new matter has been added.

Please replace page 5, "Brief Description of the Drawings" Section, paragraph 7, with the following paragraph:

Figure 7 provides an example of a construct for production of the sense strand of the targeted cassette. The Kozak sequence is also shown (SEQ ID NO:17).

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